

Legacies & Codicils

Suggested Wording

(Contact your solicitor if you require further advice)

1. If you are making a **codicil** then start it as follows:

"I (full name) of (address) DECLARE this to be a (e.g. first) Codicil to my Will dated (date of your Will in words)"

2. The wording for the **legacy** itself will be the same whether you write it in a codicil, or add it while making or rewriting your Will.

- Begin with the beneficiary details: for example,

"I GIVE to UFM Worldwide (Reg. Charity No. 219946), 47A Fleet Street, Swindon, SN1 1RE"

- Then choose what type of legacy you want to give, and use the appropriate wording:

A Pecuniary Legacy (fixed sum of money)

"the sum of (amount in figures and words) for its charitable purposes"

A Residuary Legacy (all or part of the remainder of your estate, once all other costs have been paid)

"all (or a % share) of the residue of my estate for its charitable purposes"

- Finally, complete the legacy as follows:

"I DIRECT that the receipt of the Treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge"

3. If you are making a **codicil** then finish it as follows:

"In all other respects I confirm my said Will IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand this (date in words)

SIGNED by the said (your name) the Testator as and for a (e.g. first) codicil to his (her) said Will dated the (date of your Will in words) in our joint presence and then by us both in his/hers

(Your Signature)

(Signature, name, address, occupation of 1st Witness)

(Signature, name, address, occupation of 2nd Witness)"

Our Ministries

The work of UFM Worldwide is based on certain convictions. They determine our whole approach to world mission.

- The Gospel is for the whole world
- The Lord calls individual Christians to serve him
- Local churches send missionaries
- Evangelism and church planting are urgent priorities
- Leadership training is vitally important
- Partnership is essential to effective mission
- The blessing of the Lord is indispensable

This is worked out in practical ways in 18 countries on all continents. The legacies we receive help a wide range of ministries including:

- River ministry, street children's work, training preachers and leaders in Brazil.
- Leadership training in Côte d'Ivoire, Sierra Leone, Papua New Guinea and restricted access countries in Asia.
- Evangelism and church planting in Hungary, Mongolia, Spain and Southern Ireland.
- Muslim evangelism in the UK and Middle East.
- Student evangelism in France.
- Medical ministries and relief work in DR Congo, Cameroon and Papua New Guinea.
- Bible translation projects in Papua and Papua New Guinea.



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Giving by Legacy



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Partners Together

The work of UFM Worldwide missionaries around the world is supported by many Christians and churches who partner with us in prayer and financial support. Together we are committed to bringing the gospel to the unevangelised people of the world wherever they are to be found.

The prayers and gifts of God's people are essential to the work, and it is both humbling and encouraging to see the way in which the Lord provides for our needs.

This leaflet addresses the possibility of providing for the work of worldwide mission through a legacy. Every year we receive legacy income. It is a great help and constitutes a significant part of our overall income.

Legacy giving is an extension of our giving throughout our lives. It provides an opportunity to make a final gift out of the resources the Lord has entrusted to us. In this way, one generation passes on to the next the resources needed for the ongoing work.

We hope this leaflet will help you to consider prayerfully whether you wish to make provision in your will for legacies for the support of the Lord's work, through the various Gospel ministries to which you are now committed.



Making a Will

- Making a Will legally protects your property after your death and ensures that your dependants, such as your spouse and children, will be provided for.
- Without a Will you cannot be sure that your wishes will be carried out; instead, it will be left for the law to determine.
- In the same way that you make financial decisions during each part of your life, making a Will is another aspect of being a faithful steward of what God has given you.
- Making a Will is easier than you may have thought. Carefully think through your financial circumstances, choose your executors, and then, if necessary, seek further advice in drawing up your Will.
- Making a Will brings you peace of mind - you can know with assurance that both you and your loved ones will be spared any undue financial anxiety and worry.

Leaving a Legacy

- For many, the priority will be to provide for your own family.
- Once this provision has been made, you may wish to consider leaving a gift to those Gospel ministries you now support.
- It is easy to do. Rather than having to write a new Will, you can leave a legacy (as well as make other minor changes) by means of a codicil, which supplements the existing terms of the Will. However, as with the Will itself, a codicil needs to be signed by you and by two present witnesses, neither of who are beneficiaries.
- You can update your Will following any significant change in your family situation, such as the birth of children or grandchildren. Many of these changes can be made through a codicil.
- Making provision for a legacy is a continuation of your present commitment to Gospel ministry around the world.
- Legacy income makes a significant contribution to many Gospel ministries today and greatly assists the work.